MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 11th, 2019 5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: STAFF PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Brening City Manager Doug Westberry

Councilmember Solomon Ferguson City Clerk Lea Spell

Councilmember Bruce Burt City Attorney Nathan Lee

Councilmember Travis Ferguson

Councilmember Judy Foster

Mayor Brening called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall. Councilmember Travis Ferguson gave the invocation and Mayor Brening led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion made by Bruce Burt to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded by Travis Ferguson. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

Motion made by Solomon Ferguson, seconded by Mike Brening to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from January 14th, 2019. Vote was 3 ayes with Travis Ferguson and Judy Foster abstaining.

Motion made by Travis Ferguson, seconded by Bruce Burt to approve the January 2019 Treasurer's Report. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

Jennifer Corcione, Executive Director of the Community Action for Improvement (CAFI), appeared before the council to express her appreciation for the City of Manchester's support of the organization. Additionally, Ms. Corcione described Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) available to cities that address blight and revitalization. She explained that her organization could act as the grant writer with the City of Manchester utilizing the service to apply for the grant.

After clarification of the details pertaining to the grant, a motion was made by Judy Foster and seconded by Bruce Burt for the City to partner with CAFI and proceed with applying for the CDBG. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

Ms. Kisler Oglesby appeared before the Mayor and Council to express her concerns regarding police brutality and misconduct. She provided verbal information to the council regarding a situation with Office Chris Janovsky as it relates to the recent arrest of her son. The situation of which is currently under internal investigation with the Manchester Police Department

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The Mayor expressed his thanks for her attendance at the meeting and assured her that the city does not tolerate misuse of force. He explained that due to the ongoing investigation he was unable to comment on the matter at this time.

Mr. George Sanders of Gilbert Road appeared before the council and requested further repairs to the road. The Mayor informed Mr. Sanders that the city would check into the road and make repairs that are deemed necessary.

Motion made by Travis Ferguson and seconded by Bruce Burt to approve the Tyler Technologies Utility Billing Software subject to review by the City Attorney. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

Motion made by Travis Ferguson and seconded by Bruce Burt to repeal Chapter 22, Article IV, Section 22-111 and replace it with Chapter 22, Article IV Section 22:111-120 entitled Pawnbrokers. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

The Mayor briefly updated the audience and council on the meter replacement project and the splash pad project. He stated that both projects were now underway and progressing as planned.

Councilmember Judy Foster informed the audience and council that renovations on the President Theatre were near completion. She also reminded everyone of the Donor Celebration at the President Theatre on Saturday February 16th.

At the request of Fire Chief Roderick Jolivette and due to the number of house fires in 2019, City Manager Doug Westberry reminded everyone to check the batteries in smoke detectors and take extra caution when using space heaters.

Motion made to adjourn at 6:26 PM by Solomon Ferguson and seconded by Judy Foster. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

City Clerk Lea Spell	 Mayor Michael J. Brening	_